

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In an Office Action dated August 18, 2009, claims 1-3, 5-11 and 13 were rejected § 102 based on Jun, U.S. Patent No. 6,421,343; and claims 4, 12 and 14-19 were indicated as being allowable.

Claim Amendments

Claim 1 has been amended to incorporate claim 4, not including intervening claim 2, and to remove selected elements and shorten the preamble. Claim 4 has been cancelled. Claims 5, 6, 14 and 16 have been amended to include the relevant element removed from claim 1.

Claims 60-73 have been added. Claim 60 is claim 1 with the addition of claim 12 and its intervening dependent claims and with selected elements and portions of the preamble removed.

Minor amendments have been made throughout for consistency purposes and to correct minor antecedent basis issues detected during a review of the claims.

Allowable Claims

As claims 4 and 12 were indicated as being allowable and claims 1 and 60 include relevant portions of claims 4 and 12, Applicants submit that the present claims are allowable. Reconsideration is requested.

CONCLUSION

Based on the above Applicants respectfully submit that all of the present claims are allowable.

Respectfully submitted,

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